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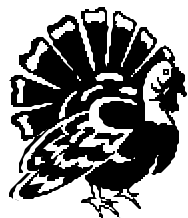
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone was steady to barely steady on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms. Limited sales of open priced private label gift boxed hens and toms was reported. Supplies were fully sufficient. Bulk parts and meats trading was slow. Demand very light.

### EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Trading inactive. Demand light to moderate. Supplies adequate.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **MAY 13, 2003**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/					FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-61	59.5	59.50	600	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	56-59	58.5	58.50	160	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	MAY
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	MAY
CENTRAL REGION 4/	56-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 13 MAY 2003.

The trade sentiment on fresh tom breast meat was steady to instances weak. Buyers were unaggressive with some sellers becoming more aggressive in offering product. The undertone on the balance of white meat items was steady at best for the available offerings. Some gradual improvement was noted on cooked and deli items. The USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service announced plans on May 12, 2003 to purchase young whole turkeys, turkey roasts, and turkey hams for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Invitation No.1, inviting offers due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, June 2, is being issued this week. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday June 6, for products to be delivered from July 16-31, 2003. Subsequent invitations will be issued inviting offers due the first and third Monday of each month.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	89.60	200
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	83.23	520
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	20.00		20.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	19.00	30
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	18.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	12.92	240
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	18.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	22.15	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	53.00	40
NECKS, TOM		R	21.50	80
NECKS, HEN		R	17.00	6
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	112.00		112.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	118.00	120
THIGH MEAT		W	51.00	10
THIGH MEAT—FRESH				
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	66.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT		F	63.75	160
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	117.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	19.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	18.00-20.00		18.12	340

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	F	19.32	560
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	F	12.50	208
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	W	18.00	208
TAILS			
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	F	16.69	248
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	M	46.00	104

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	66
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	63-65
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	65-72

#### **SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	119-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	99-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	99-129

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 14 MAY 2003.

Market activity was generally on the light side with mostly unaggressive buyer interest. The undertone on tom bulk parts was steady at best with 2-joint wings and necks generally held with the least amount of confidence. The undertone on thigh meat and mechanically separated turkey was mostly steady for the adequate supplies. Plant grade non-basted 10-16 lb. breasts traded at 87 and plant grade basted 16-18 lb. breasts at 78 cents delivered domestic. Some frozen thigh trim traded at 33 and frozen destrapped tenderloins at 104 cents delivered export.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	84.00		84.00	400
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	20.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	19.00	30
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	18.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	12.00-15.00		12.88	199
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	18.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	22.15	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	53.00		53.00	80
NECKS, TOM	21.00-22.00		21.38	64
NECKS, HEN		R	17.00	6
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	112.00		112.00	15
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	115.00-120.00		118.33	120
THIGH MEAT		W	51.00	10
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	53.00		53.00	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	66.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT	63.00		63.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	103.00		103.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	117.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
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#### BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 05/14/03

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	ACCUMULATED		
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2002-2003	-	370,572	370,872
2001-2002	-	380,874	381,174